Greetings everyone!

For the final communication of this term, we have decided to publish a short Information Update in hard copy, in place of the regular Newsletter.

**Indoor Sports Complex:** The planning for this building has progressed through another important stage. The finance for the project has now been approved by the Lutheran Schools Association. We await final confirmation from the Independent Schools Block Grant Authority in relation to capital assistance for the project. Assuming we receive that in the near future, we will then be able to progress to Local Government planning approval, preparation of final plans and the tendering process in the second half of this year. If all goes to plan, we would hope to have building action on site early next year, with completion potentially achievable by the end of 2017.

**Speaking of sport …** Navigator College student, Joseph Harris will be heading to Alice Springs in early July to represent South Australia in the State Junior Table Tennis 13/u Boys team, where he will participate along with other states, in the 2016 Australian National Junior Table Tennis Championships. We wish him the best of luck and look forward to hearing the results next term.

It is important for us to acknowledge the accomplishments of our students with our College Community, whether they be in school or out of school activities. If your child has excelled at something special or has been involved in an event outside the College that deserves our recognition, please contact Di Moseby via her email address: dmoseby@navigator.sa.edu.au, so we can share the good news on the NC Community News blog.

**End of year services:** Sincere thanks to the many parents who provided feedback to us in relation to the format of our end of year services. The information has been insightful and will be very helpful to us. Early in term three, we hope to be able to provide final details of what most likely will be a slightly revised format for our end of year events.

**Parent input into future directions:** As signalled at the recent “Navigator Chapter 2” Parent Information Nights, we are about to commence a major strategic planning process to refine the future directions of the College. The initial phase of hearing the voice of stakeholders has commenced at Council level and will continue with staff next week. We also wish to invite parents to engage with the process. All parents and carers will receive their invitation to participate via the email distribution of this Navigator Update. You will be able to use the hyperlink in that email to access the mechanism for providing us with future directions input.

**Signage, fencing and gardens:** We have been working behind the scenes to upgrade the signage for the College, both in the two key entry precincts and internally along the central spine of the campus. We hope to have these new signs installed in the near future. In addition, we are about to undertake fencing work on the Stamford Terrace frontage as well as designing a more appropriate main entrance façade for the Windsor Avenue corner and undertaking a general tidy up of the garden beds near the Junior School entrance.

**Excellence in music vision:** We are now in a position to announce that we will introduce the Music Immersion Program for all Year 6 and 7 students from the start of 2017. All students in those year levels will be given the opportunity to learn a concert band instrument – either a trumpet, trombone, flute or clarinet, all packaged within the existing fees. Parents of current year 5 and 6 students will receive an additional information sheet with this distribution.

**Staffing:** Susie Higgins (Year 3B) has commenced her maternity leave and we are thrilled to announce the arrival (yesterday) of their little girl, Leni Mae. In the interim, Donna Bagshaw is the replacement teacher pending the return of a very special foundation staff member of Navigator College – Lyn Coote who arrives in week two of next term. Meanwhile returning from maternity leave, we welcome back another of our very experienced and talented staff members, Sarah Smith, who will step back into the role of MYP Coordinator as from this week. Nola Kennedy-Williams will move into the PYP Coordinator role. LSO Janet Raleigh will be taking some time out for family reasons for the remainder of the year.
Variations to Junior School Parking Zone: See detailed information below.

Thank you for your support and for making me feel welcome in my first term as Principal at Navigator College. I look forward to continuing the partnerships and working with you all in the future.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PARKING

Subject: Variations to Junior School Parking

As part of the communication regarding changes of school times and arrangements for pick-up and drop-off that was emailed out in week 7, reference was made to the serious traffic congestion problem within the Junior School car parking area. After much consideration, it is our intention to implement a plan for a one-way traffic flow system for this area.

The new zone has been designed in such a way that traffic will flow through in one direction only, as per the diagram below. The entrance for the one-way flow will be via the gravel road. Exit from the car park will only be via the bitumen drive-way, with the LEFT TURN ONLY restriction being retained.

All parking will be changed to ANGLE PARKING to facilitate easier and safer vehicle movement. The basketball court may still be used for additional parking. Staff, students and EFM members are not to use the Junior School car parking area on school days between 8:00am and 4:00pm.

We believe that these changes will provide safer access and help alleviate the congestion of traffic within the Junior School parking zone during peak times. Ideally we hope to implement the new line markings and signage during the school holidays and are hoping to have it available for use on the first day back in Term 3. If for some reason we are unable to meet the day 1 Term 3 deadline, the new traffic flow strategy will be coming very soon after that! (We will keep you informed).

NOTE: You may not be aware that the gravel car park section is not on our land. It is in fact Council land and a surveyed road (Branch Street). We are very fortunate that the council have granted us permission to use that land for access and parking for the moment.